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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

14 CFR Part 71

[Docket No. FAA-2015-3991; Airspace Docket No. 15-ANM-13]

Proposed Amendment of Class D and E Airspace; Eugene, OR, and Corvallis, OR

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

ACTION: Notice of proposed rulemaking (NPRM).

SUMMARY: This action proposes to amend Class E airspace designated as an extension to a Class D or E surface airspace area, and Class E airspace upward from 700 feet above the surface at Mahon Sweet Field Airport, Eugene, OR, to accommodate airspace redesign.

Class E airspace extending upward from 700 feet above the surface at Mahlon Sweet Field Airport also would be amended to remove reference to the Corvallis Municipal Airport by creating a stand-alone airspace designation for Corvallis Municipal Airport. Additionally, this proposal would update the airport reference points for these airports in Class D and E airspace, as well as remove the Notice to Airmen (NOTAM) requirement noted in Class E surface area airspace. Airspace redesign is necessary for the safety and management of Instrument Flight Rules (IFR) operations within the National Airspace System.

DATES: Comments must be received on or before **[INSERT DATE 45 DAYS FROM DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER]**.

ADDRESSES: Send comments on this proposal to the U.S. Department of Transportation, Docket Operations, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE, West Building Ground Floor, Room W12-140, Washington, DC 20590; telephone: 1-800-647-5527, or (202) 366-9826. You must

identify FAA Docket No. FAA-2016-3991; Airspace Docket No. 15-ANM-13, at the beginning of your comments. You may also submit comments through the Internet at <http://www.regulations.gov>. You may review the public docket containing the proposal, any comments received, and any final disposition in person in the Dockets Office between 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays. The Docket Office (telephone 1-800-647-5527), is on the ground floor of the building at the above address.

FAA Order 7400.9Z, Airspace Designations and Reporting Points, and subsequent amendments can be viewed online at http://www.faa.gov/air_traffic/publications/. For further information, you can contact the Airspace Policy Group, Federal Aviation Administration, 800 Independence Avenue, SW, Washington, D.C., 20591; telephone: 202-267-8783. The Order is also available for inspection at the National Archives and Records Administration (NARA). For information on the availability of FAA Order 7400.9Z at NARA, call 202-741-6030, or go to http://www.archives.gov/federal_register/code_of_federal-regulations/ibr_locations.html.

FAA Order 7400.9, Airspace Designations and Reporting Points, is published yearly and effective on September 15.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Tom Clark, Federal Aviation Administration, Operations Support Group, Western Service Center, 1601 Lind Avenue, SW., Renton, WA 98057; telephone (425) 203-4511.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Authority for this Rulemaking

The FAA's authority to issue rules regarding aviation safety is found in Title 49 of the United States Code. Subtitle I, Section 106 describes the authority of the FAA

Administrator. Subtitle VII, Aviation Programs, describes in more detail the scope of the agency's authority. This rulemaking is promulgated under the authority described in Subtitle VII, Part, A, Subpart I, Section 40103. Under that section, the FAA is charged with prescribing regulations to assign the use of airspace necessary to ensure the safety of aircraft and the efficient use of airspace. This regulation is within the scope of that authority as it would amend Class D and E airspace at Mahlon Sweet Field Airport, Eugene, OR, and Corvallis Municipal Airport, Corvallis, OR.

Comments Invited

Interested parties are invited to participate in this proposed rulemaking by submitting such written data, views, or arguments, as they may desire. Comments that provide the factual basis supporting the views and suggestions presented are particularly helpful in developing reasoned regulatory decisions on the proposal. Comments are specifically invited on the overall regulatory, aeronautical, economic, environmental, and energy-related aspects of the proposal. Communications should identify both docket numbers and be submitted in triplicate to the address listed above. Persons wishing the FAA to acknowledge receipt of their comments on this notice must submit with those comments a self-addressed, stamped postcard on which the following statement is made: "Comments to Docket No. FAA-2015-3991/Airspace Docket No. 15-ANM-13." The postcard will be date/time stamped and returned to the commenter.

All communications received before the specified closing date for comments will be considered before taking action on the proposed rule. The proposal contained in this notice may be changed in light of the comments received. A report summarizing each substantive

public contact with FAA personnel concerned with this rulemaking will be filed in the docket.

Availability of NPRMs

An electronic copy of this document may be downloaded through the Internet at <http://www.regulations.gov>. Recently published rulemaking documents can also be accessed through the FAA's web page at <http://www.regulations.gov>.

You may review the public docket containing the proposal, any comments received, and any final disposition in person in the Dockets Office (see the "ADDRESSES" section for the address and phone number) between 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, except federal holidays. An informal docket may also be examined during normal business hours at the Northwest Mountain Regional Office of the Federal Aviation Administration, Air Traffic Organization, Western Service Center, Operations Support Group, 1601 Lind Avenue, SW., Renton, WA 98057.

Availability and Summary of Documents Proposed for Incorporation by Reference

This document proposes to amend FAA Order 7400.9Z, Airspace Designations and Reporting Points, dated August 6, 2015, and effective September 15, 2015. FAA Order 7400.9Z is publicly available as listed in the ADDRESSES section of this document. FAA Order 7400.9Z lists Class A, B, C, D, and E airspace areas, air traffic service routes, and reporting points.

The Proposal

The FAA is proposing an amendment to Title 14 Code of Federal Regulations (14 CFR) Part 71 by modifying Class E airspace designated as an extension to a Class D or Class E surface area, and Class E airspace extending upward from 700 feet above the

surface at Mahlon Sweet Field Airport, Eugene, OR. The Class E surface extension to the north would be slightly modified to contain aircraft using the VOR-A approach, and the extension to the south would be enlarged to contain aircraft using the RNP (RNAV) Z instrument approaches as they descend below 1,000 feet above the surface. Class E airspace extending upward from 700 feet above the surface would be reduced to the northeast and west of the airport, to only that area necessary to contain IFR arrival aircraft, descending below 1,500 feet above the surface, and IFR departure aircraft, until reaching 1,200 feet above the surface, and the Class E airspace extending upward from 1,200 feet above the surface would be revoked, as this airspace area is provided by the Bend, OR Class E En Route airspace area, and duplication is not necessary.

This action also would create stand-alone Class E airspace extending upward from 700 feet above the surface for Corvallis Municipal Airport, Corvallis, OR, thereby removing reference to Corvallis Municipal Airport from the Mahlon Sweet Field Airport airspace designation. The overall Class E airspace area near Corvallis Municipal Airport would remain generally the same, with a slight reduction north, and a slight enlargement west of the airport. The geographic coordinates of these airports would be updated for all Class D and Class E airspace areas.

Class D and E airspace designations are published in paragraphs 5000, 6002, 6004, and 6005, respectively, of FAA Order 7400.9Z, dated August 6, 2015, and effective September 15, 2015, which is incorporated by reference in 14 CFR 71.1. The Class D and E airspace designations listed in this document will be published subsequently in the Order.

Regulatory Notices and Analyses

The FAA has determined that this regulation only involves an established body of technical regulations for which frequent and routine amendments are necessary to keep them operationally current, is non-controversial and unlikely to result in adverse or negative comments. It, therefore: (1) is not a "significant regulatory action" under Executive Order 12866; (2) is not a "significant rule" under DOT Regulatory Policies and Procedures (44 FR 11034; February 26, 1979); and (3) does not warrant preparation of a regulatory evaluation as the anticipated impact is so minimal. Since this is a routine matter that will only affect air traffic procedures and air navigation, it is certified that this rule, when promulgated, would not have a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities under the criteria of the Regulatory Flexibility Act.

Environmental Review

This proposal will be subject to an environmental analysis in accordance with FAA Order 1050.1F, "Environmental Impacts: Policies and Procedures" prior to any FAA final regulatory action.

List of Subjects in 14 CFR Part 71

Airspace, Incorporation by reference, Navigation (air).

The Proposed Amendment

Accordingly, pursuant to the authority delegated to me, the Federal Aviation Administration proposes to amend 14 CFR Part 71 as follows:

PART 71 - DESIGNATION OF CLASS A, B, C, D, AND E AIRSPACE AREAS; AIR TRAFFIC SERVICE ROUTES; AND REPORTING POINTS

1. The authority citation for 14 CFR Part 71 continues to read as follows:

Authority: 49 U.S.C. 106(f), 106(g), 40103, 40113, 40120; E.O. 10854, 24 FR 9565, 3 CFR, 1959-1963 Comp., p. 389.

§ 71.1 [Amended]

2. The incorporation by reference in 14 CFR 71.1 of FAA Order 7400.9Z, Airspace Designations and Reporting Points, dated August 6, 2015, and effective September 15, 2015, is amended as follows:

Paragraph 5000: Class D Airspace.

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ANM OR D Eugene, OR [Modified]

Mahlon Sweet Field Airport, OR
(lat. 44°07'29"N., long. 123°12'43"W.)

That airspace extending upward from the surface to and including 2,900 feet MSL within a 4.6-mile radius of Mahlon Sweet Field Airport. This Class D airspace area is effective during the specific dates and times established in advance by a Notice to Airmen. The effective date and time will thereafter be continuously published in the Chart Supplement.

Paragraph 6002: Class E Airspace Designated as Surface Areas.

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ANM OR E2 Eugene, OR [Modified]

Mahlon Sweet Field Airport, OR
(lat. 44°07'29"N., long. 123°12'43"W.)

That airspace extending upward from the surface within a 4.6-mile radius of Mahlon Sweet Field Airport.

Paragraph 6004: Class E Airspace Areas Designated as an Extension to a Class D or Class E Surface Area.

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ANM OR E4 Eugene, OR [Modified]

Mahlon Sweet Field Airport, OR
(lat. 44°07'29"N., long. 123°12'43"W.)

That airspace extending upward from the surface within 3 miles west and 2 miles east of the Mahlon Sweet Field Airport 008° bearing, extending from the 4.6-mile radius of the airport to 6.8 miles north of the airport, and within the area bounded by the airport 142° bearing

clockwise to the airport 213° bearing, extending from the 4.6-mile radius to 13.5 miles south of the airport, and within the area bounded by the airport 213° bearing clockwise to the airport 226° bearing, extending from the 4.6-mile radius to 14 miles southwest of the airport.

Paragraph 6005: Class E Airspace Areas Extending Upward from 700 feet or More Above the Surface of the Earth.

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ANM OR E5 Corvallis, OR [New]

Corvallis Municipal Airport, OR

(lat. 44°29' 50"N., long. 123°17' 22"W.)

That airspace extending upward from 700 feet above the surface within a 6-mile radius of Corvallis Municipal Airport, and 2.4 miles each side of the airport 007° bearing, extending from the 6-mile radius to 12.4 miles north of the airport, and 2.6 miles each side of the airport 104° bearing extending from the 6-mile radius to 7.1 miles east of the airport, and 2 miles each side of the airport 188° bearing extending from the 6-mile radius to 7.1 miles south of the airport.

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ANM OR E5 Eugene, OR [Modified]

Mahlon Sweet Field Airport, OR

(lat. 44°07'29"N., long. 123°12'43"W.)

That airspace extending upward from 700 feet above the surface within a 6-mile radius of Mahlon Sweet Field Airport, and that airspace within the area bounded by the airport 098° bearing clockwise to the airport 138° bearing, extending from the 6-mile radius to 18.3 miles southeast of the airport, and within the area bounded by the airport 138° bearing clockwise to the 170° bearing, extending from the 6-mile radius to 13.5 miles southeast of the airport, and within the area bounded by the airport 170° bearing clockwise to the 234° bearing, extending from the 6-mile radius to 18.3 miles southwest of the airport, and that airspace within 3.6 miles east and 8.5 miles west of the airport 008° bearing, extending from the 6-mile radius to 16 miles north of the airport.

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